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Docket No. 21421 US C038435/0185661

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)

Tatsuo HOSHINO *et al.*)

Serial No.: 10/528,891)

Filed: March 23, 2005)

For: **RECOMBINANT MICROORGANISM**)
FOR THE PRODUCTION OF)
VITAMIN B6)

Examiner: C. L. Fronda

Art Unit: 1652

New York, New York
July 9, 2007

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION INCLUDING
AMENDMENT AND PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed February 7, 2007, which set a three-month shortened statutory period for response. A two-month extension of time to respond to the Office Action is hereby requested. Accordingly, this response is filed timely upon mailing, with an executed certificate of mailing, on or before July 9, 2007 because July 7, 2007 fell on a Saturday. 37 CFR §§ 1.7, 1.8, and 1.136. Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$450.00 to cover the fee for the extension of time. 37 CFR § 1.17.

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Amendment Dated: July 9, 2007
Reply to Office Action Dated: February 7, 2007

Please charge any required extension-of-time fees, or any other fees, not otherwise paid by check to Deposit Account No. 02-4467. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Please amend the application as follows:

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 3 of this paper.

REMARKS begin on page 6 of this paper.